(c) The Government, jointly with the State Government, has adopted a multi-pronged approach, to contain cross border terrorism perpetrated by the pro-Pak terrorist outfits/Pak ISI in Jammu and Kashmir, which includes *inter-alia,* strengthening border management and multi-tiered and multi-model deployment along with International Border/LoC and near the ever changing infiltration routes to check infiltration, as well as pro-active action against terrorists within J and K, including operations in remote, hilly and forested pockets, protective measures for remote, scattered and minority populations, public buildings, religious shrines and vital installations; gearing up intelligence machinery; greater functional integration through an institutional framework of Operation Groups and Intelligence Groups of the UHQ at various levels, improved technology, weapons and equipment for security forces, and action as per law against over-ground supporters of the terrorists.

The strategies, tactics and dynamic security forces deployment to counter the terrorists are constantly reviewed, refined and monitored at various levels in the State Government (including in the 2 Unified Headquarters headed by the Chief Minister J and K) and in the Central Government.

In addition to directly taking on the terrorist groups and being open to dialogue with various sections of people within J and K, Government conjointly with the State Government is taking steps aimed a economic development, provision of social services and creation of employment opportunities so as to reduce dissatisfaction level amongst the people of the State.

**Increase in naxalite activities**

153. SHRIMATI S.G. INDIRA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether naxalite activities are on the increse in the country especially in selected pockets of the country;

(b) if so, whether any steps have been taken to curb this menace;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) The Government has adopted a multi-pronged approach to tackle the problem of left wing extremism which includes modernization and strengthening of the State Police forces, better training to Police personnel, deployment of CPMFs, streamlining of gathering and sharing of actionable intelligence, Special Task Forces for intelligence based anti-naxalite operations, focused attention on development aspect and gearing up of the public grievances redressal system at the grass roots level.

The high-powered Coordination Centre headed by the Union Home Secretary with Chief Secretaries and Directors General of Police of the seriously affected States, as its members, regularly reviews and coordinates steps taken by the States to check extremist activities.

The Central Government also provides financial assistance under the scheme of Reimubursement of Security Related Expenditure (SRE) to curb naxalite activities.

**Tackling of left wing extremism**

154. SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have reviewed the measures to tackle left wing extremism in nine affected States;

(b) if so, the action plan proposed; and

(c) the additional funds arranged and sanctioned for affected districts of Andhra Pradesh to check left wing extremist activities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) and (b) In the Coordination Centre Meeting held at Bhubaneshwar on 21.11.2003, it has been decided *inter alia* to deploy CRPF on a long-term basis. The State Government have been asked to encourage local resistance groups against the naxalites. There will be institutionalized mechanisms to enable coordinated and sustained anti-naxalite operations.

(c) Additional funds of Rs.360 crores have been sanctioned for 8 naxalite affected districts of Andhra Pradesh for their integrated